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Countdown: - 35 days to the Festival

The cast of the upcoming 27<sup>th</sup> edition of the International Circus Festival of Italy continues to grow with four new numbers added today coming from China, Spain, France, and Chile to compete for the 'Latina d'Oro', 'Latina d'Argento', and 'Latina di Bronzo'. Opening night is on Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 9pm in via Rossetti, Latina. Tickets are already available from our official website: [www.festivalcircoitalia.com](http://www.festivalcircoitalia.com)

Show calendar: Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 9pm (show A); Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 9pm (show B); Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 4.30pm (show B) and 9pm (show A); Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 3.30pm (show A) and 7pm (show B); Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 8.30pm – Gala Show and

**Awards Ceremony. Shows A and B, whilst containing different acts, are of the same high professional and artistic level, and simply reflect a necessary division of numerous competing numbers into two separate shows.**

## **SHEYANG COUNTY ACROBATIC TROUPE JIANGSU**

**China – Acrobatic balance**



### **ACROBATICS FROM JIANGSU IN THE RING AT LATINA, BRINGING THE INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE OF CHINA**

The county of *Sheyang* is an area in China situated in the province of *Jiangsu*, on the eastern coast of the country. The *Sheyang* Troupe, with long experience in live performance, has created a new number to present at the Festival in Latina. This acrobatic performance by the troupe, while representing the typical principles of traditional Chinese circus, seeks to add a fresh and innovative interpretation, bringing it right up to date, eliciting a reaction from the audience to see, listen, and reflect in an emotional and sensorial way. The scenery depicts three sections: *burnt earth*, *the struggle*, *the rebirth*. *Top of the Head* is the name of the key part of this performance. The *Chinese acrobatics* of *Jiangsu* have been recognised as intangible cultural heritage of China since 2008.

## **MIGUEL ALVAREZ**

**Spain – Juggling**



### **A YOUNG JUGGLING TALENT WHOSE DNA CARRIES THE CIRCUS TALENT OF NINE GENERATIONS**

Miguel Álvarez Papadopoulos, born in Spain in 2003, is a young and versatile juggler: he represents the ninth artistic generation of the Álvarez family and the fifth generation of the Papadopoulos family: two of Spain's most important circus families. Miguel began his artistic career working with his cousin Agustín; they have taken part in numerous international events, winning awards along the way. In Ekaterinburg in 2019, these two young talents won a silver award; they also won a similar award the following year at Albacete in the *Junior* category of the International Circus Festival. Miguel's début as a soloist is recent: in just a few months he has worked in important productions such as *Circus 1882* in Spain, *The Magical World of Circus* in Belgium and the Netherlands, and the *Groot Kerstcircus Den Haag* in the Netherlands during the Christmas season. In 2024 he took part as a non-competing performer in the third edition of the *Italian Circus Talent Festival*, which took place at Latina.

## **SATYA APERT DE SELA**

**France – Aerial Straps**



### **FROM THE DARKEST DEPTHS TO THE HIGHEST HEIGHTS: AN ASTRONOMICAL METAPHOR BROUGHT TO LIFE BY A YOUNG FRENCH ACROBAT ON AERIAL STRAPS**

Satya Apert De Sela is a 24-year-old performer from France; he began his training as a solo aerial acrobat in 2021. Satya has been based in Montreal, Canada, for a couple of years and, under the guidance of Maestro Victor Fornin, he only started performing last year. He loves big spaces: "*the bigger the space, the better I perform*", he told us. This preference saw him work with great success as a solo aerial acrobat within ice skating performances, including in the well-known Swiss show *Art on Ice*. The number that Satya Apert De Sela is bringing to the Festival at Latina is entitled *Nadir a Zénith*: the astronomical metaphor alludes to the desire to complete a journey upwards towards rebirth, from the darkest depths to the brightest, magnificent heights (the zenith).

## THE FLYING GONZALEZ

### Chile – Triple Flying Trapeze



**15 TRAPEZE ARTISTES TEAM UP TO CREATE THE LARGEST FLYING TRAPEZE TROUPE IN THE WORLD: THUS THE FLYING GONZALEZ'S GIGANTIC TRIPLE FLYING TRAPEZE ACT WAS BORN.**

In the collective imagination, the *flying trapeze* is the discipline that best evokes the atmosphere of the traditional Circus. Even though this type of number has seen many variations, this classic act involving big troupes of trapeze performers is always well received by audiences of all ages, as will this troupe of 15 daring Chilean acrobats, who are competing in the Festival as The Flying Gonzalez. 12 flyers and 3 catchers are simultaneously involved in flying acrobatics of great difficulty at dizzying heights in the gigantic setup for the triple flying trapeze. This South-American troupe was formed in 2023 with the aim of creating the largest trapeze troupe in the history of the Circus. The Flying Gonzalez, while performing detailed and difficult acrobatics, also bring the exuberant verve and musicality that typifies South-American culture.

**Notice to English-speaking audiences:** thanks to a collaboration with Circus News, starting today, you can access all information regarding the Festival in English by scanning the QR code found on every one of our English-language press releases.



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#### ADVANCE TICKET SALES

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For information about tickets please write to [prenotazioni@festivalcircoitalia.com](mailto:prenotazioni@festivalcircoitalia.com)  
Tickets will also be available to buy in person at the Big Top box office from October.

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